

## RHEA WILL VIEW RAILROAD PLANT

Many Complaints Against Baltimore and Ohio Lodged With Commission.

### BANK EXAMINER'S REPORT

First Annual Statement Issued. Protest Against Requisition for Rixey.

Responding to a most strenuous series of complaints lodged with the State Corporation Commission from citizens living along those portions of the Baltimore and Ohio system known as the Winchester and Potomac and the Winchester and Strasburg Railroads, Judge William F. Rhea, of the commission, will make a personal inspection of the line next Monday. It is possible that action by the commission will ensue.

Statements have been made by the people who use these railroads that the tracks are rotting and becoming dilapidated; that the roadways are not kept up, and that the entire system is completely on the road to ruin. Graphic and fearful pictures are drawn of the deterioration of the plant, of the alleged bad service, given to passengers and to shippers and of the difficulty in getting the Baltimore and Ohio to do anything with the situation. Evidently the people of the upper part of the Valley of Virginia are up in arms.

These two roads which make the link between Strasburg and the West Virginia line, are leased and operated by the Baltimore and Ohio. Judge Rhea will endeavor to find out for himself what the situation is, what the needs and demands are, and will report to his associates.

### Long Series Ends.

With farmers' institutes a day at Occoquan and Accotink, near Washington, the series of such meetings which has been conducted throughout the State for the past two months, will come to an end. Commissioner Kolner rejoined the institute train yesterday. The party will return to Richmond tonight.

### BANKING REPORT

Examiner Barkdale Believes New State Laws Are Satisfactory.

Containing the financial statements of the 247 State banks operating in Virginia, the first annual report of the State Bank Examiner was issued yesterday. Save the statistics, there is little matter in the report, which comprises 115 printed pages.

Examiner C. B. Barkdale, in his letter of transmission to the State Corporation Commission, says:

"Certain statutes enacted by the Legislature of 1910 put in force several restrictions and requirements regulating Virginia banks and the transaction of their business. The most important of these new provisions of law is contained in the amendment to section 1165 of the Code, which requires the examination of every State bank and every national bank which is a State depository, at least once each year without previous notice being given the bank. This has already been found to be a most beneficial requirement of law, and, in my opinion, will continue to be, both to the banks themselves and to the depositors of the

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### OPPOSE REQUISITION

Attorneys for Rixey Say He Is Too Ill to Travel to Virginia.

Protest has been received by the Governor against a requisition for C. J. Rixey, late president of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Trust Corporation, of Alexandria, who is under indictment for wrecking that institution. J. L. Jeffries, counsel for Mr. Rixey, says that the accused man's health will not permit of his being moved from Washington to Alexandria.

No application for requisition has yet been made. Commonwealth's Attorney Brent stated several days ago that he would not ask for such proceedings until after April 21, the date set by Judge Barley for Rixey to be brought into court.

### Portrait of Dr. Reed.

After many delays, the State Library Board has accepted a portrait of Dr. Walter Reed, the surgeon of the United States Army, who demonstrated the infection by mosquitoes of the yellow fever germ. The painting was by H. M. Wegner, of Staunton, and will hang in the portrait gallery. Dr. Reed was born at Farmville, Va.

### Capital People.

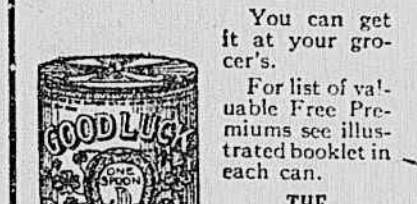
Clerk R. T. Wilson, of the State Corporation Commission, has been summoned to Floyd on April 15 to give evidence in the case of the defunct bank. He will probably send his papers by a clerk.

State Mineral Land Assessor James A. Stone was at the Capitol yesterday en route from work in Northern Virginia to his home at Bristol.



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of French gray cloth, with black picture hat, and carried Bride roses. Miss Annie Dewberry was maid of honor, and Dr. R. C. Carroll, of Richmond, was best man. Little Miss Dorothy Tucker, niece of the bride was the ring bearer.

### Moore—Moore.

Miss Lillian Moore, a resident of Commerce Street, and Edgar Moore, of Grove Avenue, went out to Halifax, N. C., yesterday, where they were married.

### Two Deaths.

Mrs. Rebecca A. Grigg, wife of F. B. Grigg, died at her residence on East Washington Street Tuesday afternoon.

John J. Sylvester, an elderly and esteemed citizen, died yesterday morning at his home, corner of Rowe and South Streets. He was seventy years old, and came to Petersburg from North Carolina. The body will be taken to Ivor for burial.

### ALDERMEN ADOPT SEGREGATION LAW

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clearing from the office, probably from \$10,000 to \$15,000 a year.

### Traffic Law Again Tabled.

The Unlaid traffic law met with additional delay. Mr. Billey asserted that he had never seen it, and moved to table and print. The ordinance was printed before it came up in the Common Council, but the lower branch made a dozen or more amendments, and the Board agreed to defer action and have it printed in its corrected form. There was some joking reference on the floor to the "undertaker's caucus." Messrs. Billey, Bennett and Nelson being on close consultation over the terms of the ordinance.

On report of the Ordinance, Charter and Reform Committee, the ordinance prohibiting pawnbrokers from receiving, handling or selling pistols or deadly weapons, and requiring all other dealers to secure a permit from the Chief of Police, was adopted, 15 to 6, after some debate, the noes being Messrs. Atkinson, Billey, Don Leavy, Grimes, Melton and Powers. Mr. Gunst was excused from voting.

### Flight Over Ambulance.

The Committee on Finance recommended the rejection of a resolution appropriating \$1,500 for an additional automobile ambulance. Chairman Hobson, of the Committee on Relief of the Poor, made a vigorous effort to secure its adoption, notwithstanding the report of the committee. He asserted that the cost of a motor ambulance had proved \$11 per month cheaper than the cost of a horse ambulance, and somewhat bitterly attacked certain newspapers which had printed reports of the Committee on Relief of the Poor, showing otherwise. He asserted that the motor ambulance answered many calls outside of the city, as, for instance, at the Cedar Works, Locomotive Works, forklifts plant and similar industries. President Whitteit said he had been informed that the ambulance declined recently to respond to an emergency call when a cave-in occurred in the Virginia Avenue sewer, now being constructed in Riverview, on the ground that the work, although for the city, was outside of the corporate limits. Mr. Hobson said the case had not been reported to him, and that he would investigate. Mr. Perkins admitted that the Finance Committee had

not given the matter serious consideration, as it had come up late in the meeting and been passed upon hurriedly.

Mr. Don Leavy opposed setting a precedent of overriding the Finance Committee. The motion to recommit was rejected, 9 to 10, and the ordinance was put on its passage. The yeas were 15, and the noes, 4—Messrs. Don Leavy, Gilman, Melton and Reynolds. Not having a two-thirds vote, it was declared rejected.

It was later reconsidered and sent back to the Committee on Finance.

### Some Matters Concurred In.

The Board concurred with the lower branch in the following, which now go to the Mayor for approval.

Authorizing the paving with granite at the expense of property owners, the north side of Broad Street, between Seventh and Eighth Streets, to cost \$240; the south side of Grove Avenue, from Lombardy to Vine Street, to cost \$412, and the east side of Vine Street, from Floyd to Grove, to cost \$537.

Resolution to acquire land to open Eighth Street from Louisiana to Denny Streets, Fulton.

Changing an appropriation of \$8,000 for Belgian block paving on Belvidere Street from Broad to Main Street to read "asphalt block paving."

Establishing the true line of Thirtieth Street, between Stockton and Everett Streets, Washington Ward.

Granting to the Railroad Y. M. C. A. the right to run certain steam pipes

in Walnut Alley to connect with Main Street Station.

### Some New Sewers.

Resolution authorizing the construction of a sewer in East Leigh Street from Ninth to Eleventh, with certain connections, to cost \$18,800; a sewer in Floyd Avenue from Deep Run and Grace Streets, to cost \$12,130, and a deep sewer in the north side of Broad Street from Ninth to Third, and from Second to Adams, to cost \$16,000. Resolutions approving award of contract to L. E. Brown for construction of a sewer in Floyd Avenue from Deep Run Street to the new corporation line.

Resolution to acquire land to open an alley between Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Ross and Franklin Streets.

Appropriating \$25 per month for office expenses of the Harbor Master.

### Marshall House Transferred.

Resolution transferring the John Marshall house to the custody of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities.

Resolution to pay John F. Carter \$10 for time lost at the Lower Gas Works because of injuries.

Resolution to pay \$340 for injury to the property of Newman and others on North Thirtieth Street, by reason of grading the street.

Resolution authorizing the payment of \$360 on account of damages from grading in Fairmount.

Ordinance designating the Commonwealth Bank as a city depository.

Appropriating \$1,000 to the Memorial Hospital, children's ward.

Approving award of contract to Harrison Brothers, of Philadelphia, for \$14,897.85, for substation of aluminum for the setting basin, and with Smith, Courtney & Company for disc water meters, to cost \$9,702.

### Public Free Hospital.

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Relief of the Poor to inquire into the expediency and cost of establishing and maintaining a free hospital for others than inmates of the City Home.

Resolution donating fifty trees to Mr. Calvary Cemetery, and fifteen trees to L. W. Pizzini.

Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to acquire from L. W. Stagg, T. F. Boyle and F. T. Anthony certain lots to enlarge Chimborazo Park.

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Grounds and Buildings to sell old buildings in Washington Square, except the court-house, for removal.

Ordinance to prohibit the alteration of public buildings or their fixtures without consent of the Building Inspector.

Ordinance fixing the public hours of the Building Inspector's office from 9 to 3 daily.

Permitting permission to H. W. Rountree & Brother to erect a brick stable on Mayo Street, between Ross and Broad Streets.

Authorizing the grading of the sidewalk on the east side of Twenty-ninth Street, beside the property of Alderman John R. Grimes, and the erection of a retaining wall and underpinning of his house, to cost \$946.22. Mr. Grimes was excused from voting, at his own request, and the measure was concurred in, 15 to 0.

### Bridge to Finance Committee.

On report of the Street Committee, the Virginia Racing and Horse Show Association was granted permission to string banners over certain streets.

A resolution confirming award of contract made by the Committee on Streets for the new Mayo Bridge to J. J. Smith & Co. was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Street Committee reported a substitute ordinance providing for the joint erection of a sewer in the Iron-mill Road for the drainage of the State Fair grounds, belonging to the city, and of the property of the Sherwood Land Company and the property

of the estate of Joseph Bryan, the Bryan estate and the Sherwood Land Company to pay the excess cost of making the sewer large enough to drain the entire watershed, and so be available in the event of annexation of any part of the territory to the city. The ordinance was adopted, 19 to 0.

### Must Pay for Paving.

The Finance Committee recommended the rejection of an ordinance exempting churches and schools from paving tax charges, and it was rejected, as was a resolution making a special appropriation of \$2,400 to the Fire Department for purchase of hose.

Fifteen trees were donated from the city nursery to the Home for Incurables.